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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC
Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I choose Sonic.net b/c they are small Santa Rosa, CA based ISP that offers better customer service and support than the big guys.

We need broadband competition and cannot let the big guys squash these important providers. The 1996 Telecommunications Act was put in place to prevent these big companies that don't provide a great customer experience. It has allowed me to stay aware from AT&T and Comcast. Sonic, other carriers, and a full economic study all disagree with USTelecom on this key point - <https://www.incompas.org/Files/filings/2018/08-06-18%20Economic%20Studies%20.pdf?elqTrackId=24F69EA418844EBF2EADD07BA88E1412&elq=76fb7556724448a83bd98bb4c267926&elqaid=504&elqat=1&elqCampaignId=194>.

Sonic residential subscribers do exist, and I don't want to be "materially affected".

In fact, the effects would be profound; without access to UNE services, Sonic wouldnt have been able to connect consumers while they build their fiber networks, nor fund the construction of these fiber networks. And once fiber networks are built, UNEs are still used they connect from city to city and are the key backhaul for all of Sonic's fiber networks.

Please be just and fair and do the right thing!!

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